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**Hot!**

**Try This This Summer**

There will come many times this summer when the heat will be almost unbearable. And your thirst will refuse absolutely to be quenched by plain water, or the average sweet soda fountain drinks or bottled beverages.

**DRINK**

**Coca-Cola**

You will be surprised and delighted at its cooling effect and at how completely it will quench your thirst. You will find it as refreshing and delicious as a summer drink as coffee is a winter drink. And it's as pure and wholesome—as harmless as the tea, or coffee, or milk, or cocoa you drink at the table every day of your life.

But do not be deceived into accepting a substitute—refuse any other drink that claims to be as good or better. Insist on and

**GET THE GENUINE**

**At Soda Fountains or Carbonated in Bottles**

**5c Everywhere**

Chicago, April 15, 1907.  
We beg leave to report to you the result of analysis of Coca-Cola. We purchased in the open market an original package of one gallon of Coca-Cola. The contents of this jug were submitted to a very careful and exhaustive analysis for cocaine and alcohol, and we failed to find any trace of either. Caffeine was found to the extent of 2 of one per cent. The amount of caffeine contained in one ounce of Coca-Cola used for making one glass of the prepared drink is less than one-half that is contained in a cup of coffee of average strength.

Very respectfully submitted,  
THE COLUMBIA LABORATORIES  
Per J. A. Wessner

Whenever you see an Arrow think of Coca-Cola.

## BURNHAMS ARE BOTH RELEASED ON BOND

**Slayer of John E. Mosier  
Left Jail Last Friday,  
Bond is \$6,500**

Roy Burnham, who, it is alleged, went into church during services in the Sand Flat community and shot his father-in-law, John E. Mosier, three times in the head, was released from Decatur jail on a \$6,500 bond last week.

Roy Burnham's bond was signed by C. A. Morrison, J. W. Pheobus, J. W. Thompson, I. N. George, of Grayson county, and J. H. Matthews, of Clay county, who pay taxes on the combined sum of \$26,680.

Farrell Burnham, a cousin to Roy, who was with the slayer at the time of the killing, and who is charged with being an accomplice to the act, has been released on a \$3,500 bond.

Farrell's bond was signed by W. L. Davis, A. W. Melton, T. F. Sweazea and L. R. Ham, all of Clay county, who signed for \$6,000.

Justice Greer denied bond to both parties, but they were successful in their hearing before Judge Tom Simmons of Fort Worth.

Reports are that the citizens of the community where the killing was done were much incensed over the granting of bail to Roy Burnham, and hints were let out that there would be further trouble should he reappear in that vicinity.

### The Laziest Man in the World

would not be contented to be kept in the house and doing nothing by rheumatism. Neither are you, who are always busy and active. Then don't neglect the first twinge of an ache or pain that you might think is just a "crick." Rub well with Ballard's Snow Liniment and no matter what the trouble is, it will disappear at once. Sold by Man & Simmons.

### Commercial Club Officers

At a meeting of the Decatur commercial club yesterday W. B. Man was elected president; Steve Gose vice president; board of directors: S. A. Lillard, J. P. Hayter, C. B. Beard, C. C. Jones, Will Helm. The club meets at Woodman hall next Tuesday at 2 o'clock to transact important business.

When the stomach, heart or kidney nerves get weak, then these organs always fail. Don't drug the stomach—nor stimulate the heart or kidneys. That is simply a make-shift. Get a prescription known to druggists everywhere as Dr. Shoop's Restorative. The Restorative is prepared expressly for these weak inside nerves. Strengthen these nerves, build them up with Dr. Shoop's Restorative-tablets or liquid—and see how quickly help will come. Sold by C. B. Gunn.

### Marriage Licenses

Marriage licenses: Walter Hanner to Miss Maude Neville; Horace Stanfield to Miss Florence Evans; W. O. Read to Miss Liller Felner; Bill Allen Reddell to Miss Katy Lee Thompson.

Dysentery is a dangerous disease but can be cured. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy has been successfully used in nine epidemics of dysentery. It has never been known to fail. It is equally valuable for children and adults, and when reduced with water and sweetened, it is pleasant to take. Sold by City Drug Store-Man & Simmons.

Texas produces one bale of cotton per capita.

The Texas cotton crop will clothe the world (one suit).

Texas produces one-fifth of the cotton of the world.

### Notice To All Persons

J. S. Alverson, of Glenn, Okla., has charge of all my property of every character or kind and all contracts of any nature whatsoever in relation thereto must be had with him.

All persons are warned that I will not be responsible for the contracts of my wife Drucie Alverson and not to pay any checks given by her on my account. This July 26, 1909.

H. B. ALVERSON.

### HOOKED BY COW

Mrs. C. L. Gammon, who lives on Waldo Blewett's farm east of Decatur, was badly hooked by a cow Tuesday morning, and is not expected to recover. Mrs. Gammon was milking when the cow attacked her and hooked her in the neck. She was unconscious for some time after and her condition is very dangerous.

### FOR LARGEST MELON

The Messenger will give a year's subscription to the one bringing in the largest watermelon next Saturday (tomorrow). The names of the winner and contestants will be published in next week's paper.

### Read This

Decatur, Tex., this certifies that I have sold Hall's Texas Wonder for the cure of all kidney, bladder and rheumatic troubles, for years and have never had a complaint. It always gives quick and permanent relief. Ford & Thomason.

### Temperance Rally

Next Sunday is to be Field Day in Decatur, under the auspices of the anti-saloon league of Texas, a temperance rally will be held embracing a lecture at the Methodist church at 11 a. m. by Senator R. E. Cofer, of Gainesville on Christian citizenship.

A lecture at the Baptist church the same hour by Prof. H. A. Ivy, of Sherman, on Civic righteousness, and a general mass meeting at the court house at 3:30 p. m. to be addressed by both Senator Cofer and Prof. Ivy. There will also be interesting musical features in the program. The political and economic features of prohibition will be presented at the court house meeting.

### Active at 87

This would be unusual news if men and women would keep themselves free from rheumatism and all aches and pains as well as keeping their muscles and joints limber with Ballard's Snow Liniment. Sold by Man & Simmons.

### House Robbed

Last Sunday while Mrs. Louie James was attending church her home on Oliver creek was entered by burglars, and a small sum of money and a few valuables taken. On returning home she found everything topsyturvy. No clue as to the guilty party.

### Wise County History \$1.00

After placing a county history in practically every old settlers home in the county we have about 100 copies of the heavy paper edition left. There is a small indebtedness remaining against the association and to secure funds to meet this we will send one of the above volumes to any address postage prepaid on the receipt of \$1.00. They formerly sold for \$1.50 postage added. This will be your best opportunity to secure one of these splendid books. Send today while you think about it.

J. H. Wallace, Pres.  
Cliff D. Cates Sec.

Pain anywhere stopped in 20 minutes sure with one of Dr. Shoop's Pink Pain Tablets. The formula is on the 25c box. Ask your doctor or druggist about this formula! Stops womanly pains, headache, pains anywhere. Write Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis., for free trial, to prove value of his headache, or Pink Pain Tablets. Sold by C. B. Gunn.

Texas cotton factories use only one bale out of seventy produced.

The Texas farmers planted 9,716,000 acres of cotton in 1909.

### Washington's Plague Spots

lie in the low, marshy bottoms of the Potomac, the breeding ground of malaria germs. These germs cause chills, fever and ague, biliousness, jaundice, lassitude, weakness and general debility and bring suffering or death to thousands yearly. But Electric Bitters never fail to destroy them and cure malaria troubles. "They are the best all-round tonic and cure for malaria I ever used," writes R. M. James, of Louellen, S. C. They cure stomach, liver, kidney and blood troubles and will prevent typhoid. Try them, 50c. Guaranteed by Man & Simmons.

There were 31,918,000 acres of cotton planted in the United States in 1909.

Be sure and take a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy when starting on your trip this summer. It cannot be obtained on board the trains or steamers. Changes of water and climate often cause sudden attacks of diarrhoea, and it is best to be prepared. Sold by City Drug Store-Man & Simmons.

### BOYD

Aug. 10—Rev. J. B. Job, of Bridgeport, is holding a Christian meeting at Anneville.

Mrs. John Freeman and daughter, Miss Edna, have returned from a visit to relatives at Ft. Worth.

Mrs. A. E. Ratliff and little son returned home Saturday accompanied by her brother, Warn, of Hollis, Okla.,

Eld. W. P. Skagg, of San Angelo, arrived here Friday enroute to Springtown to hold a series of Christian meetings in that locality.

Mrs. Tom Prunty and daughter, Miss Junaita, are visiting in Denton.

Chas. Stamps, of Deep Creek, visited in Springtown Sunday.

Edd Ward, of Deep Creek, returned home Sunday from a visit to Springtown.

Walter Zorns and Bud Cook visited in Rhome Sunday.

Will Young, of Anneville, was in Ft. Worth Friday on business.

Walter McGee visited relatives in Rhome Sunday.

Harvey Cook and Erie Wren left Monday for Vineyard for their health.

Misses Ona and Ola Tinney, of Bridgeport, are here visiting relatives and friends.

Clay Harris, of Randlett, Okla., is visiting relatives in Keeter.

Miss Jimanis Simmons, who has been visiting friends in Bridgeport has returned home.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Early, of Keeter, on the 7th, a daughter.

Oscar and Willie Jones, who have been visiting friends in Blair, Okla., have returned to their home in Keeter.

### Seared With A Hot Iron

or scalded by overturned kettle—cut with a knife—bruised by slammed door—injured by gun or in any other way—the thing needed at once is Bucklen's Arnica Salve to subdue inflammation and kill the pain. It's earth's supreme healer, infallible for boils, ulcers, fever sores, eczema and piles. 25c at Man & Simmons.

## ed Men in Town

## Customers

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and stock shows; a building to be used exclusively for the dog show and for improvements in all the departments of the Fair. In spite of the fact that recent legislation does away with the selling of pools at the race track, the management is preparing for a splendid racing program. Purses and stakes totalling \$40,000 will be offered in the harness, running and steeplechase events, and \$4,000 in the automobile events which will be held the three last days of the Fair. Forty thousand dollars in premiums, awards and prizes are offered in the agricultural, textile, livestock, poultry and other departments. New divisions, such as that of manual art for the children, arts and crafts for the amateur, etc., all of great educational value, have been added to the Fair and generous prizes offered for displays of the kind.

In the agricultural department forty-two counties have secured space for displaying their farm, orchard and garden products. This is 11 more than last year and at least thirty per cent more than the Fair of 1907. Every portion of the state will be represented in these exhibits. Railroads of the Southwest, appreciating the fact that this will be one of the best methods by which to secure desirable immigrants, have arranged to run special homeseeker excursions during the Fair, with stopover privilege at Dallas.

President E. J. Kiest is very desirous that the farmers of the state have a splendid representation this year.

He said: "Practically every foot of space used for exhibition purposes on the Fair grounds is taken. In every department we have made improvements and added new features. The livestock, agricultural and poultry displays will be the greatest in our history. I can assure the patrons of the Fair that we will this year give them more amusement, intellectual entertainment, more genuine sport and more of thorough diverse education, than ever before."

If your liver is sluggish and out of tone, and you feel dull, bilious, constipated, take a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets tonight before retiring and you will feel all right in the morning. Sold by City Drug Store-Man & Simmons.

## List Your Land for Sale!

The Commercial Club of Decatur has had 5000 descriptive folders printed, telling of the merits of Wise county. These folders will be sent all over the North and East in an effort to induce immigration into the county. The club has advertisements running in several of the Eastern papers and are receiving answers to same, asking for literature descriptive of the county. If you want to sell either all or a part of your land list it with either of the firms below and it will be shown to their inquirers. All owners of land who have an abstract of title will have their land shown first. It therefore behooves prospective sellers to have an abstract made to their lands if they have none. The firm that you list with will make them The Commercial club does not expect to make a cent out of selling these lands. We do the advertising free of charge to you. The man or firm who sells your land will charge you a commission of 5 per cent for making the sale. This 5 per cent commission is divided between the firm who sells your land and the expense account of the Commercial club to pay the advertising bills of the club. If you list your land with either of the firms below it will be re-listed with all of them as they have agreed to have just one general list. You therefore will have your land listed with the livest real estate dealers in the county and have the benefit of their experience and our advertising. If you want to sell your entire tract of land, or if you merely want to sell part of it, list it with these firms below. If you have an abstract of your property, so much the better. If you haven't one it is more to your interest than to theirs for you to have one prepared.

LIST WITH THE FOLLOWING FIRMS

Decatur Land & Abstract Co., Gose Bros., or Cates Land & Abstract Co.

## The Decatur Commercial Club

## Ayer's Hair Vigor

**Ingredients:** Sulphur, Glycerin, Quinin, Sodium Chlorid, Capsicum, Sage, Alcohol, Water, Perfume.

Anything injurious here? Ask your doctor.  
Anything of merit here? Ask your doctor.  
Will it stop falling hair? Ask your doctor.  
Will it destroy dandruff? Ask your doctor.

## Does not Color the Hair

J. C. AYER COMPANY, Lowell, Mass.



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DICK COLLINS,  
MARVIN B. SMITH,

Editors and Proprietors

Friday, Aug. 13, 1909.

## THE LIVE MERCHANT.

Denton merchants have found it is the year-round advertising that brings the best results. The time was, and it was not long ago, when in the Denton newspaper offices July, August and September were expected to show the "nothing doing" sign throughout the quarter. Nowadays, as a glance at the advertising columns will show, July business is almost a fair average for the year. Of course it is better in the fall, when everybody advertises. But the point we make is this: The most successful advertisers are those who use good space every day, week in and week out, and keep their stores and their business everlastingly before the buying public.—Denton Chronicle.

The merchant who hasn't anything worth advertising in July can not have very much worth bragging on in November. A merchant has to be an all-the-year-around storekeeper these days, or he will drop back and shrink up as the years pass until the public forgets him altogether.—Dallas News.

Throw down your burthen of trials and tribulations, sadness and sorrow, occasioned by short crops, debts and mortgage—come to the county where health, wealth, sunshine and happiness reign supreme—where cotton, corn, wheat and fruits thrive. Don't forget the place and the dates—Wise county and the year-around!

The Messenger would suggest that the Decatur commercial club arm a good man with Wise county boosting literature and send him down in the drouthy regions of Johnson, Dallas, Hill and other counties in that section. NOW IS THE TIME! Show the good people in that region what peace and plenty await them in Wise county.

A sensible young man will look a long time before he embraces matrimony. There are plenty of good, well balanced young girls, home-loving and domestic in their habits, willing to live within an income, but this class as a general thing you will not find in so-called society, the members of which exhaust most of their time and money in dress and worship at the shrine of fashion. And on the other hand, let the well-balanced girl steer clear of the average young man of the present day. It is as uncertain as drawing a prize in a lottery. There are in Denison at the present time more worthy young girls than men. Young women who are determined to make something of themselves never encourage a young man who is not willing to work, and who squanders the little money he gets in cigarettes and other foolish habits.—Denison Gazetteer.

Whenever you see a little 2x4 merchant standing in front of his place of business, making harsh remarks about his competitors, put it down that fellow is undermining his own business. Every knock from this little fellow is a boost for the other fellow.

An Oklahoma editor, evidently stung by the keen competition for commercial printing, asks the merchants of his town to furnish him with proposals or bids for a pair of socks, a bushel of potatoes, three yards of calico and a week's supply of chewing tobacco, contract to be awarded to the lowest bidder. As an explanation he says that is the way they treat him when they want two dollars worth of job work.—Ex.

The Messenger's circulation is growing at a good healthy pace, and with a good rain or two, 'spect we would work the subscription clerk a little over time. It is clouding up at this writing!

Let us take on some of that hustle and push that imbues the citizens of the panhandle and west Texas towns. Decatur is the best proposition in this whole section, and with a little vim, vigor and vitality put forth by our citizens in the way of boost, boost, boost, we can easily outstrip all our rivals. But, we must boost and work for the town; advertise and talk night and day.

That we will have a full field of candidates next year is a double rivited conclusion. The newspaper welcomes these gentlemen and desires a big healthy increase in the tribe.

## Wise County at Dallas.

A golden opportunity will be presented to Wise county by the Dallas fair, which will be held in October. The fair is about the biggest institution in the state and the good it has done the industrial interests of Texas can not be calculated. Thousands of people attend this show, hundreds coming from other states. In these crowds are numerous "homeseekers." The point—Wise county should have an exhibit of her cotton, corn, fruits, wheat and minerals. Let the local commercial club get busy on this proposition, NOW. It is the opportunity to do big things for Wonderful Wise! We have had more rain, the crops are better and contentment and happiness more abundant in this good county than any section in the broad state of Texas. NOW IS THE OPPORTUNE TIME for the commercial club to get in some telling licks. We can show the best exhibits at Dallas for we have the best of everything from which to select them.

The Messenger is in favor of putting some new life blood into the commercial club by paying the secretary a salary, and let him do some hustling. There is going to be something doing along the Denver road this fall in the way of immigration, and it is going to take hustle and plenty of it on the part of Decatur to compete with the hustling towns up the road. Let us get busy.

Decatur, the city on the hill; best of schools, live, wide awake merchants, twenty-five hundred hustling citizens. County seat of Wise, the home of big crops of cotton, corn, wheat and fruits, and the abiding place of the best coal fields in Texas. Will you come!

We believe Wichita Falls is the place for that West Texas normal college. If not that town, Childress or Quanah will do.

Senator Senter must of had his "medicine flask" doing double duty when he delivered his Garland speech.

Wise county is prosperous, thank you. The corn crop is very good, and that cotton crop is going to be a hummer. While the farmers in other counties are restless and hard pressed, the Wise county farmer is wearing a Sunday-go-to-meeting smile that won't come off.

Say, in casting about for really good gubernatorial timber, the people of Texas couldn't make a better selection than the present judge of the 43d judicial district—Hon. J. W. Patterson.

A good cream separator and a few acres in peanuts will assist the fattening of that bank account.

If the commercial club will do a little missionary work in the drouthy ridden counties of Tarrant, Dallas and Johnson, some good farmers can be added to Wise's long list of good ones.

Alvord has a hustling commercial club. A trade excursion has been planned.

# THE STORE For ALL The PEOPLE

## We Have Had a Grand Sale

Of which we are proud. It was far beyond our expectations and we want to thank the good people of Wise county for their confidence, which was evidenced by their liberal patronage.

## But We Have a Few More

## Men's-Boy's Suits Men's-Ladies' Lowcut Shoes Ladies' Waists and Ladies' Muslin Underwear

Which we do not care to carry over that we will continue to give at

## Quick Business Sale Prices

UNTIL ALL SOLD

# Bellah & Sons

South Side Square

Decatur, Texas

## The "Smart" Girl.

When a young thing gets her first taste of "society," she immediately gets the idea in her noodle that her mother is old foggy and 'way behind in intellect; Laura Jean Libby's trash looms grand and heroic, and every frazzlin' cent the young thing can get goes for duds. She becomes a chronic kicker at home; the food, supplied probably by an old mother's labor at the machine, or maybe from the girl's sisters or brothers, becomes positively course and nauseating. A peach, this girl. She will appear on the streets in exquisite frills and furbelows while the gaunt wolf is cutting capers about the front door of her home; while the porches are rotting down and dirty pillows are looming big in window sashes. She imagines she is smart and "cute," and when she strikes that stride in sawcety where the gay "drummer" gets interested, she has reached the crowning glory of her ideals.

## Cured Hay Fever and Summer Cold

A. S. Nusbaum, Batesville Indiana, writes: "Last year I suffered for three months with a summer cold so distressing that it interfered with my business. I had many of the symptoms of hay fever, and a doctor's prescription did not reach my case, and I took several medicines which seemed only to aggravate it. Fortunately I insisted upon having Foley's Honey and Tar. It quickly cured me. My wife has since used Foley's Honey and Tar with the same success." Ford & Thomason.

## Want St. Clair Again.

A petition is being circulated, urging Tom St. Clair to run again for county commissioner, and it is being signed by practically every one to whom it is presented, so state the gentlemen who are circulating the paper.

## The Crime of Idleness

Idleness means trouble for anyone. Its the same with a lazy liver. It causes constipation, headache, jaundice, sallow complexion, pimples and blotches, loss of appetite, nausea, but Dr. King's New Life Pills soon banish liver troubles and build up your health. 25c at Man & Simmons.

## A Gay Fellow.

Last Monday morning a certain Decatur married man passed along the street and stopped in the vestibule of a store. Pretty soon a young lady passed and the married man stepped to the walk and handed the girl a note. The girl passed on and, after a minute, the man went back home to eat the breakfast his dutiful wife had prepared for him. No doubt the man and girl both thought this clandestine act unnoticed.

In buying a cough medicine, don't be afraid to get Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it, and relief is sure to follow. Especially recommended for coughs, colds and whooping cough. Sold by City Drug Store—Man & Simmons.

Such polite and courteous employees as Mr. Sherwood make friends for the Denver road. He is a prince of clever fellows and thoroughly understands his duties. In fact, if all stations along the Denver were in charge of such men as Messrs. Sherwood, Davis and Gray the traveling public would be better pleased. Decatur station is fortunate, indeed, in having these gentlemen and the people appreciate them.

No matter how long you have suffered, Foley's Kidney Remedy will help you. Mrs. S. L. Bowen, of Wayne, W. Va., writes: "I was a sufferer from kidney disease, so that at times I could not get out of bed, and when I did I could not stand straight. I took Foley's Kidney Remedy. One dollar bottle and part of the second cured me entirely." It will cure you. Ford & Thomason.

Reports reach the Messenger to the effect that the former Decaturites in Olney are doing good. Fred Rea, that prince of grocery merchants, is making good, and John Alexander, with Terrell Collins, is doing a fine business. Other Decatur boys in that town are Jesse Borum, Loys Lively and Rufus Helm.

Served as coffee, the new coffee substitute known to grocers everywhere as Dr. Shoop's Health Coffee, will trick even a coffee expert. Not a grain of real coffee in it either. Pure healthful toasted grains, malt, nuts, etc. have been so cleverly blended as to give a wonderfully satisfying coffee taste and flavor. And it is "made in a minute," too. No tedious 20 to 30 minutes boiling. Russell & Dallas.

## Sheriff's Sale

The State of Texas, county of Wise by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the honorable district court of Wise county, on the 9 day of July 1909, by Lory D. White district clerk of said county against G. R. Pace for the sum of Five thousand one hundred and six-75 \$ (5106.75) dollars and costs of suit, in cause No 3454 in said court, styled J. L. Norris G. R. Pace and placed in my hands for service, I J. M. Branch as sheriff of Wise county, Texas, did, on the 5 day of Aug. 1909 levy on certain real estate, situated in Wise county, described as follows, to wit lots No. 21 of Bill county school land as appears by the plat sub-dividing said land beginning at the north corner of said lot No. 21 thence S. 45 E. 571 vrs thence S. 45 W. 950 vrs thence N. 45 W. 571 vrs thence N. 45 E. 950 vrs to place of beginning and levied upon as the property of said G. R. Pace.

And on Tuesday, the 7 day of September 1909, at the court house door of Wise county, in the city of Decatur Texas, between the hours of ten a. m. and four p. m. I will sell said real estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said G. R. Pace by virtue of said levy and said order of sale. And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Wise County Messenger a newspaper published in Wise county. Witness my hand, this 5 day of August 1909. J. M. Branch sheriff Wise county, Texas. By W. R. RILEY Deputy. Begin Aug. 13.

For indigestion and all stomach trouble take Foley's Orino Laxative as it stimulates the stomach and liver and regulates the bowels and will positively cure habitual constipation. Ford & Thomason.

Charley Workman has bought the interest of Frank Burns in the Burns & Rhine livery stable. Chas. and Ladd will make a strong team and should do well in the business. Both are wide-awake and accommodating gentlemen.

Flies will not bother a wound where Dr. Cox's Barbed Wire Liniment is used. For sale by Man & Simmons.

Let the commercial club take up the matter of having the passenger depot yards lighted up. A couple of big arch lights at the passenger station would make things loom up in that locality.



# THE PREDICAMENT OF ANGLIN, SENIOR.

His Own Love Affair and That of  
His College Chum.

By HENRIETTA G. ROBINSON.  
[Copyright, 1909, by Associated Literary Press.]

Halfway down the steps of the fraternity house Anglin turned and went thoughtfully back to the room that he shared with Beresford.

"You're dead sure you'll not change your mind and come?" queried Anglin.

Beresford, with a volume open on his knee and a pipe gripped between his teeth, nodded emphatically.

"Then I suppose you don't mind if I take your skates? They're sharper than mine."

"Take them, of course."

But when Fred Anglin had slung the skates over his shoulder and buttoned on his thick gloves he still lingered. It seemed as though this were not what he had come back to say after all.

"I ought to tell you, Tom—we've been such pals right along—that I'm going to put my fate to the test to-night. The Tremaine girls will be at the skating party. And tonight I intend to speak to Gerla."

Beresford jumped up and wrung his friend's hand enthusiastically.

"Good for you!" he cried. "Go in and win! As long as it isn't Geraldine I can endure the thought of your happiness if she says yes. I'll be able to listen to your raptures without experiencing a perfectly legitimate desire to sling you through the window."

"Thanks, old man," laughed Anglin, adding: "Lucky we've not set out respective hearts on the same sister. Now, I'm blessed if I understand your infatuation for Geraldine. But, as long as you are her captive, why do you hold back? You are older than I, and"—

Beresford shook his head with a grim smile.

"It isn't that. You've a wealthy father and a settled income. I've only enough to pull me through this final year. When I get my diploma—well, I shan't have much more, in a material line. I don't dare ask Geraldine to wait until I have attained—achieved—arrived. It wouldn't be fair to her."

"It would—her promise—be a tremendous incentive to you?"

"Oh, I know that. But she must be considered first."

There was another handclasp, a firm and silent one. Anglin swung away for the tramp into the country, where the skaters were to assemble at Pilgrim's pond.

The star studded night closed down early. When Anglin reached the appointed place the amusement of the evening was already in full swing. The expanse of ice was clean swept and of an opaque, turquoise tint. Strings of Chinese lanterns dangled in the multi-hued propinquity from banyan tree to tree and from pole to pole. In a declivity, semi-shaded by a fly tent, a royal fire blazed and crackled. In and out, around and about, in dullness under the flumen stars or in red relief where the flambeaux, set at regular intervals, flared fantastically, sped and flashed the dark figures of the skaters.

Fred Anglin got on his skates as quickly as possible and started out across the frozen pond. Many turned to look after the athletic young figure circling through their midst with such easy, swallowlike grace of motion.

But he noticed neither their presence nor their admiration. He was looking for one particular little figure. She would wear a short skating costume of blue velvet, the Russian blouse, which was girt with heavy cords that swung backward when she raced. The high peaked cap would make a penthouse over a mass of fair curls and mischievous eyes, bluer than any violets that ever mocked the blueness of a June time sky. And—

"There she is!" he said suddenly to himself.

Alone in the shadow of the wigwam shaped refreshment tent, apparently fancying herself unobserved, a slender young form was whirling on heel and toe, cutting a pattern of intricate tracery on the ice.

"Come with me," he cried as he dashed to her side. He held out his hands, crossed at the wrists in the old approved carry-the-lady-out-of-town style.

Together they swung gracefully down the strip of gleaming ice which was least covered.

But when they were quite away from the merry crowd of skaters whose voices came to them musically through the frosty night air, Anglin turned their impetuous progress to one very deliberate. And then, as he took a firmer hold of her mittened hands, he began, after the manner of many another lover who has been compelled to force his courage to the sticking point:

"Dear," he said desperately—"You can't keep silent any longer. You know how I've cared for you ever since—well, ever since I entered college. Although I've never been obliged to consider ways and means, still a legacy has made it possible for me to ask you to give me your promise. I know," he added hastily, "you won't care about this sort of thing, but I ought to mention it. There's only one question now—do you think you will ever love me—a little?"

His words, voice, even the tensility with which he retarded her flight,

holding her hands tight pressed to his side, did not escape the girl's alert consciousness. But she answered in unsteady accents. There were trepidation in her tone and dread, the dread a sweet girl experiences who hates to give pain.

"I'm sorry—sorry—sorrower than I've ever been about anything in all my life," she began. "I—I did not dream it was I for whom you—cared. Had I done so I never would have permitted you to say—this."

As one stunned he relaxed slightly his grip on her fingers, while he accelerated their speed.

"Don't worry!" he answered bravely. "I must have been awfully stupid to have fancied—you are sure you're quite warm enough? We are almost at the tent now. I'd better bring you some hot coffee, Gerla."

They were at the tent. Yellow streaks of light from its canvas apertures were glinting out at them. The girl came to a standstill, her hand still on her companion's arm.

"What was that you said?" she asked sharply.

"Gerla, I suppose I should have said Miss Tremaine," he then, as she did not at once reply, he wheeled swiftly and confronted her.

She had dashed back the peaked hood of her skating coat. He saw a little, dark, mignonette face looking up at him in the wavering amber light—a face that looked uncertain as to whether it ought to break into smiles or quiver into tears—the face of Gerla's twin.

"Geraldine!" he exclaimed as he fell back in astonishment.

It was her turn to be amazed. "Why, did you think it was Gerla?" she cried. "Sure," he added, with enthusiastic relief. And then when her merry peal of laughter had died away he queried, "But how do you happen to be wearing Gerla's costume?"

She laughed again—a relieved sort of merriment that made Anglin think suddenly of his roommate.

"Oh, that's what—what fooled you, was it? Why, we changed them just for fun. But is Tom"—she flushed furiously at her slip of names—"I mean if Gerla had thought"—

"What!" exclaimed Anglin ambiguously. "Geraldine, do you think"—

"Oh, as to Gerla," she broke in, "she is coming back of you. Ask her yourself." And she skated swiftly away.

The next instant Anglin was facing a girl in a suit of wine colored velvet. The peaked cap was drawn high over tousled golden curls and eyes of deepest blue.

"How you stare!" she laughed. "Am I an uncanny spirit?"

"I've proposed to one girl tonight," he confessed as he whisked away to the waltz the band was playing, "and I don't want to make a similar mistake again, for she was not the girl at all whom I meant to ask to marry me!"

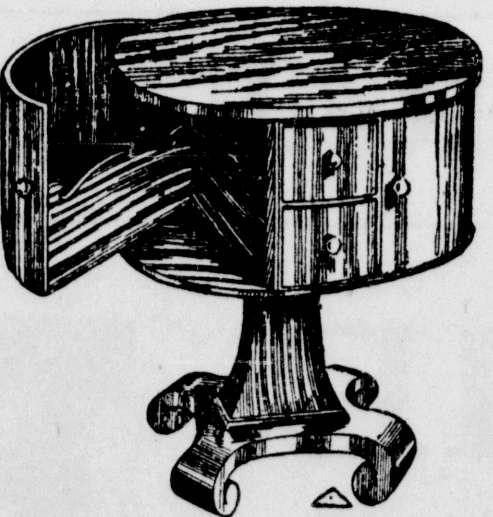
"Are you quite sure you're not mistaken now?" she asked quizzically.

"Quite!" he assured her. "But I would like positive proof—and corroboration!"

And both Fred Anglin succeeded in securing before he strode home to ask Tom for congratulations and to hearten him with the fondest of hopes.

## A Combination Table.

The piece of furniture herewith shown is designed as a center table, but the receptacles under its top are so ingeniously arranged that they offer commodious storage facilities for such household articles as sewing bas-



## HANDY INSIDE ARRANGEMENT.

kets and the like and materials such as laces and embroideries that are being worked upon. When working at the table the sides are swung out, revealing lower shelves upon which the materials in use may be placed.

Shave a five cent cake of beeswax fine and add one quart of gasoline. Let stand overnight, and it will be ready for use. This is best and cheapest wax ever used.

## The University of Texas

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COLLEGE OF ARTS: Courses leading to the degrees of Bachelor and Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy.  
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## REAPING BENEFIT

From the Experience of Decatur People.

We are fortunate indeed to be able to profit by the experience of our neighbors. The public utterances of Decatur residents on the following subject will interest and benefit thousands of our readers. Read this statement. No better proof can be had.

Mrs. L. C. Glanton, 2 miles north of Decatur, Texas, says: "Some time ago when I was suffering from backache, my husband procured a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at C. B. Gunn's drug store, as he had seen them highly recommended for such troubles. I used just this one box and it was sufficient to stop my backache and make it possible for me to sleep well. I also regained my strength and felt much better. For a long time after I did not have need of a kidney remedy, but recently my kidneys became sluggish and there were symptoms of my old trouble. My husband again procured Doan's Kidney Pills and although I have not taken them very long, I have received decided benefit."

The manufacturer pays labor \$25 per bale to manufacturer cotton.

The Texas cotton crop gives employment to 350,000 factory laborers in England.

Letter to B. F. Lawrence  
Decatur, Texas.

Dear Sir: Suppose you are growing an acre or two of cabbages; where'll you get your seed? The price of Long Island seed is \$2 lb; the Germans send over tons of "cabbage-seed" 50c lb.

Most gardeners buy the German seed; of course, you know they wouldn't pay \$2 for cabbage-seeds, when they could get it for 50c. And that's how people do about everything.

Careful people buy the smallest package of each, count-out 100 seeds of each, and grow them a week in a hot-house; then count their plants. They've got 100 Long Island plants and 10 German.

How, do you think, the Long Island cabbage-seed growers account for that? They'll tell you the German seed is mostly turnip, which looks like cabbage, but isn't.

Why didn't the turnip seed grow? The Germans had killed it, baked it. What did they bake it for? Dead seeds tell no tales.

There's a whole business in killed seeds. A dealer can get all the dead seed he wants, that look like cabbage and something else; he can mix'em with actual seeds, a pound to an ounce and sell you your seeds at whatever price you like to pay and whatever

## WHEN YOU FEEL BAD

If you are bilious, languid, constipated, suffer from indigestion, sour belching, bloated feeling, bad breath, headache, wind in the bowels, dizziness, you need

## PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

The Great System Cleanser and Regulator.

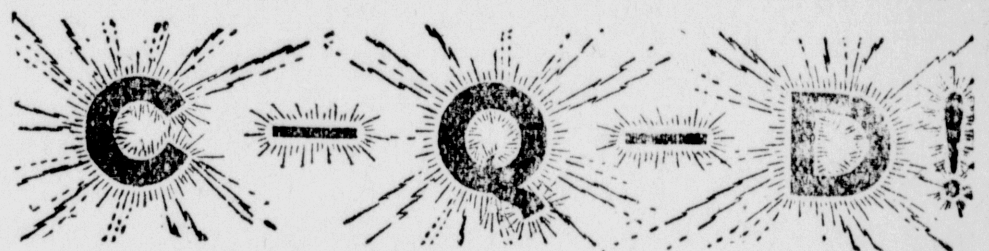
A few doses will open and purify the bowels, tone up the stomach, stimulate the kidneys and liver and impart a feeling of strength and vigor. It transforms a tired, nervous, halfsick man or woman into one of bright, ruddy good health, energy and cheerfulness.

Get the Genuine with the Figure "3" in Red on Front Label.

Sold by Druggists.

Price \$1.00 per bottle.

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profit he likes to take. The same with paint; you can paint with whitewash or paint, poor paint or good; you can pay your painters \$3 a day for brushing it on. But whitewash is whitewash, poor paint is poor paint, and good is good.

You'd better buy good, and pick-out your good by the number of gallons it takes to cover a job; least gallons, best paint; least gallons, least cost by \$5 a gallon; least gallons, most wear.

Better buy Long Island seeds, but try 'em first. Better buy Devoe, but try it first.

Yours truly,  
F. W. DEVOE & CO.  
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## Baby Morphine Fiends

are made by all soothing syrups and baby medicines that contain opium and narcotics. McGee's Baby Elixir contains no injurious or narcotic drugs of any kind. A sure and safe cure for disordered stomachs, bowels and fretfulness—splendid for teething infants. Sold by Man & Simmons.

The cotton oil mills run about 7 months during the year.

Weak women should read my "book No. 4 for women." It tells of Dr. Shoop's Night Cure. Tells how these soothing, healing, antiseptic suppositories, bring quick and certain help. The book is free. Address Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis. C. B. Gunn.

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## Electric Bitters

Succeed when everything else fails. In nervous prostration and female weaknesses they are the supreme remedy, as thousands have testified. FOR KIDNEY, LIVER AND STOMACH TROUBLE it is the best medicine ever sold over a druggist's counter.

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To any boy or girl for a few minutes of your time. For particulars write the

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Osborne Building, DALLAS, TEXAS

## CROUP

stopped in 20 minutes sure with Dr. Shoop's Croup Remedy. One test will surely prove. No vomiting, no distress. A safe and pleasing syrup—50c. Druggists.

The cotton mills manufacture cotton seed oil, cakes, meal hulls etc.

It costs about \$8.00 per bale to ship cotton to England.



# Begins Aug. 14th

## Ends August 28th

For years it has been a custom of ours to inaugurate semi-annual Clearance sales for the purpose of making a clean sweep of seasonable goods. These sales have been so successful and far-reaching as to be looked forward to by the economical buyer as the most stupendous bargain-giving opportunities in the annals of merchandising. Most assuredly you will not be disappointed in the offerings of this great sale—we are abundantly supplied.

Below we give you a few of the many hundred of bargains in this sale

### Soft Shirts

They mustn't stay  
\$1.00 shirts sale price ..... 89c  
\$1.50 shirts sale price ..... \$1.19  
\$2.00 shirts sale price ..... \$1.48

### Men's 75c Shirts 49c

During this sale we will sell 10 dozen men's 75c negligee shirts at ..... 49c

### Ladies' Skirts

We have made such ridiculously low prices on all ladies' fine skirts that every one will move during this mighty sale.

All \$3.50 and \$4.00 fine Panama skirts sale price ..... \$2.85  
All \$5.00 and \$6.00 fine tailored Panama and serge skirts this sale only ..... \$3.85  
Some of our very finest skirts are included in the \$7.50 and \$8.50 lot that we will sell at only ..... \$5.95  
\$15.00 fine voile skirts, elegantly trimmed; clearance sale price ..... \$9.85

### Red Seal Gingham 9c

5000 yards Red Seal and A F C gingham, clearance sale price per yard ..... 9c

Ladies 10c vests . . . . . 2 for 15c

### Boys' Oxfords

Boys' \$2.50 patent leather oxfords, size 3 to 5, clearance sale price only ..... \$1.85  
Boys' \$2.00 patent leather oxfords, size 12 1/2 to 2, clearance sale price ..... \$1.65

### 35c Men's Belts 18c

One lot men's 25c and 35c belts while they last ..... 18c

### Ladies Waists

Without fear of contradiction, we have sold more ladies' shirt waists than the entire town combined. Why? We give the values. To make quick work of what are left we make the following prices:

All \$3.00 and \$3.50 linen and net shirt waists clearance sale price only ..... \$1.95  
All \$1.50 and \$2.00 lingerie waists, clearance sale price only ..... \$1.15  
All \$1.00 and \$1.25 shirt waists, sale price ..... 69c

Beyond a doubt this will be the greatest bargain-giving event of the season. Remember the date — Begins on Saturday, August 14, and ends August 28th.

# SEMI-ANNU'L Clearance Sale

The Greatest of all great Sacrifices of Dry Goods, Clothing, Slippers, Etc.

# AT RED STORE

Begins Sat. Aug. 14 - Ends Sat. Aug. 28



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## CLOTHING !

We will make this the grand event of the season in clothing selling. Never before in the history of Decatur were such unheard-of bargains offered. Profits have been thrown to the wind, cost has been lost sight of.

**\$10** In this lot we include every fancy and serge suit in the house from \$15.00 to \$20.00. Absolutely nothing reserved. You can have your choice for \$10.00. Think of it!—a \$20.00 suit for only ..... **\$10**

**\$7.85** In this lot we include the remainder of our stock of men's and young men's clothing—such values were never offered the public before. A few days selling at these prices will clean out the lot. They are all sizes, but a large part of them run 32 to 36. You can have your choice at the small sum of ..... **\$7.85**

### Clearance Sale on Knee Suits

They didn't escape the knife. At the prices named our stock will not last long. Everything goes, nothing reserved.

\$2.00 suits, sale price ..... \$1.65    \$2.50 suits, sale price ..... \$1.95  
\$3.00 suits, sale price ..... \$2.35    \$3.50 suits, sale price ..... \$2.90  
\$5.00 suits, sale price ..... \$3.85  
Don't you think it will be quite a saving to buy your boy's suit now?

### \$5.00 Panama Hats \$1.95

**\$1.95** We have about 12 hats that sold regularly for \$5.00, and to make a clean sweep of the entire lot we will make the unheard-of price ..... **\$1.95**

## CLOTHING !

### \$5.00 Stacy Adams Shoes and Oxfords for only \$3.85

**\$3.85** Our entire stock of Stacy Adams oxfords, and quite a few high shoes are put out in this sale at only ..... **\$3.85**

### \$3.50 Packard Oxfords \$2.95

38 pair men's Packard \$3.50 oxfords, including tans, vicis gun metal, etc. including entire stock, nothing reserved at ..... **\$2.95**  
**\$4.00** Packards, clearance sale price only ..... **\$3.15**



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## Big Reductions on Ladies' Muslin Underwear

# THE RED STORE

## DECATUR, TEXAS

# Unusual Bargains!

## Unapproachable Prices

We will conduct our own sale and will not place you at the mercy of a "Sales Manager." A sales manager would cost us 8 or 10 per cent on every dollars worth of goods that we sold, hence, by managing our own sale we can afford to sell our goods cheaper, and we intend to give our customers the benefit of this saving.

Not a Dollar's Worth of Summer Goods Must Remain

Read these convincing prices: Come find more

### Five Cent Lawn

Every inch of 10c, 12 1/2c and 15c lawn is going in this sale at per yard only 5c—Almost like giving it away ..... 5c

Big lot 25c mercerized gingham, sale price ..... 15c

Beautiful 50c silkine in blue and catwba. in this sale at half price ..... 25c

Ladies' 15c vests . . . . . 3 for 25c

### Sale on Men's Underwear

25 dozen men's 50c porous-knit balbriggan and crepe under-shirts and drawers, sale price ..... 37 1/2c

19 dozen men's 25c and 35c bleached and unbleached shirts and drawers, sale price ..... 19c

### Men's Straw Hats

Men's 15c Mexican straw hats, clearance sale price ..... 10c

Men's 25c extra large Mexican straws, sale price ..... 15c

### Big Reduction on Ladies' Slippers

All \$3.00 and 3.50 patent oxfords and pumps, clearance sale price ..... \$2.48

All \$3.00 and \$3.50 tan and oxford oxfords and pumps sale price only ..... \$1.85

All \$2.00 oxfords, sale price ..... \$1.48

All \$1.50 oxfords, clearance sale price ..... \$1.29

You can buy any oxford or pump in the house at a big reduction—nothing reserved

Big reduction on all children's slippers.

### Five Cent Lace

A big counter full of lace and insertion that we sold at 7c, 8 1/2c and 10c. clearance sale price per yard ..... 5c

### 25c Hose 12 1/2c

10 dozen pair ladies' fine 25c and 35c lace-striped hose at half price ..... 12 1/2c

Ladies' 25c vests . . . . . 19c each

Bring this circular along with you. Be here early. Everything will be out on display. Remember the date, Begins Saturday, August 14th, and ends Saturday, August 28th



# THE BOTTOM HAS DROPPED OUT OF THE PRICES ON

# Hardware!

QUEENSWARE, STOVES, BUGGIES

While the dry goods men are having semi-annual, price-smashing and stock-clearing sales, we have determined to vary the monotony a little and hammer the prices on hardware. To that end we offer you below some of the most startling prices ever made on this line of goods in Decatur. Our sale is now on and you don't have to wait. Bring your money, buy what you need now and lay in a supply for future use. You may never have this opportunity to do so again.

|                                               |                |                                                                     |                |                                            |                                     |            |                                      |                                    |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| One lot \$2.00 and \$2.50 collars.....        | <b>\$1.50</b>  | 8 galvanized washing machines.....                                  | <b>\$4.00</b>  | COOK STOVES from \$8.98 on up to the BEST. | Regular \$1 white platter for.....  | <b>72c</b> | Good granite quart bucket for.....   | <b>48c</b>                         |
| Good top buggy with harness.....              | <b>\$65.00</b> | 40 pair of work bridles per pair.....                               | <b>75c</b>     | 1 large spoon.....                         | Regular 50c white platter for.....  | <b>38c</b> | Nails and staples per lb. only.....  | <b>3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c</b> |
| 1 lot of 75c short-handle shovels.....        | <b>38c</b>     | New Home and White Sewing machines, regular price \$45.00, for..... | <b>\$27.00</b> | 1 large fork.....                          | Regular 50c goblets for only.....   | <b>35c</b> | Regular \$2 and \$2.50 razors.....   | <b>\$1.00</b>                      |
| Lot of second-hand wagons AT A VERY LOW PRICE |                | Best hack in the country for.....                                   | <b>\$100</b>   | 1 egg beater.....                          | Regular 35c syrup pitchers for..... | <b>25c</b> | Good sifter.....                     | <b>10c</b>                         |
| 36 black buggy collars at only.....           | <b>75c</b>     | Regular \$1.25 decorated plates for.....                            | <b>98c</b>     | 2 boxes shoe tacks.....                    | Regular 50c lamps for only.....     | <b>35c</b> | Regular 50c and 60c cotton hoes..... | <b>38c</b>                         |
| Road wagon and harness.....                   | <b>\$50.00</b> | Regular \$1.25 decorated cups and saucers.....                      | <b>98c</b>     | 3 boxes carpet tacks.....                  | Good tumblers.....                  | <b>20c</b> | 12 gauge shotgun shells per box..... | <b>40c</b>                         |
| Collar pads only.....                         | <b>35c</b>     | Regular 60c white plates for only.....                              | <b>48c</b>     | Wash pan.....                              | Good granite wash pan for only..... | <b>23c</b> | 17-quart granite dishpan for.....    | <b>60c</b>                         |
| 5-gallon churn for only.....                  | <b>\$3.00</b>  | Regular 60c cups and saucers.....                                   | <b>48c</b>     | Stove shovel.....                          | Good granite coffee pot for.....    | <b>35c</b> | Regular \$7.50 washing machine.....  | <b>\$6.50</b>                      |
|                                               |                |                                                                     |                | Stove lifter.....                          |                                     |            |                                      |                                    |
|                                               |                |                                                                     |                | Stove polish.....                          |                                     |            |                                      |                                    |
|                                               |                |                                                                     |                | Curry comb.....                            |                                     |            |                                      |                                    |
|                                               |                |                                                                     |                | 2-pint cups.....                           |                                     |            |                                      |                                    |
|                                               |                |                                                                     |                | 3 dozen clothes pins.....                  |                                     |            |                                      |                                    |

No snide, no fake. We are the oldest hardware house in Decatur and do exactly as we advertise. We handle the best line of wagons and buggies in the county. The Anchor buggy is unexcelled. The Studebaker wagon has stood the test for 40 years and is still in the lead. Our Garland and Loran stoves are the best when you want one that will cook and last.

|                                            |            |                                     |               |                                           |               |                                  |            |                                       |               |
|--------------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| Single-bit ax, regular value \$1, for..... | <b>75c</b> | 3-burner \$12.50 oil stove for..... | <b>\$8.54</b> | Regular \$27.00 Detroit vapor stove.....  | <b>\$18</b>   | Regular 65c coffee mill for..... | <b>38c</b> | Regular 25c file for only.....        | <b>12c</b>    |
| Regular \$1.25 screen door for only.....   | <b>98c</b> | Regular \$1.75 screen door for..... | <b>\$1.48</b> | Regular \$12.50 Detroit vapor stoves..... | <b>\$7.35</b> | Regular 15c file for only.....   | <b>10c</b> | 2-burner \$11 oil stove for only..... | <b>\$5.50</b> |

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DECATUR, TEXAS



# Money

In every community there is enough money in hiding to start a respectable bank.

This money is not only liable to be lost by theft or fire, but it is placed where it does not bring in any income to the holder, neither is it of any use to the public.

Deposit this "dead" money with us. Then it will get into circulation and be of some benefit to yourself and also to the community.

The more money there is in circulation, the cheaper the rate of interest; the easier it is to borrow, and the more prosperous the general business conditions.

## CITY NATIONAL BANK

Decatur, Texas

### The Messenger.

#### NEW DENVER SCHEDULE

Arrive at Decatur

| NORTH BOUND       | SOUTH BOUND      |
|-------------------|------------------|
| No. 3—9:25 a. m.  | No. 8—5:22 a. m. |
| No. 1—11:00 a. m. | No. 6—6:20 a. m. |
| No. 5—8:36 p. m.  | No. 2—4:24 p. m. |
| No. 7—10:50 p. m. | No. 4—2:35 p. m. |

### News of Town and County

Cressey's cream is sure fine.

Attorney W. H. Ratliff is in Quanah.

Bill Cook is here from Oklahoma.

Jack Gentry is here from Henrietta.

Mrs. C. B. Gunn is visiting in Alvord.

Public school opens Monday, Sept. 15th.

Ike Killough is here from Hobart, Okla.

Dr. J. A. Embry visited Bowie Sunday.

Willie Jeffries visited in Ft. Worth last week.

N. B. Atkerson is on a visit to Alma, Okla.

Prof. J. W. Bailey was here from Rhome Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Lillard are in cool Colorado.

Miss Ruth Harding is visiting in Wichita Falls.

Good rains are reported thruout Wise county.

Guy Donald was in town from Ft. Worth Saturday.

Harve Lively was here from White-wright this week.

Prof. L. E. Tibbetts, of Alvord, was here Monday.

Miss Edna Wolfe visited relatives in Olney last week.

A Baptist meeting is in progress at Preskitt this week.

Prof. Clay Brite, of Bridgeport, was in Decatur Monday.

Misses Myrtle and Bulah Rogers are visiting at Wheeler.

Prof. J. G. Pace, of Amarillo, is here visiting relatives.

Save money by buying groceries from Russell & Dallas.

J. H. Hambree, of Bridgeport, was a pleasant caller Tuesday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Guinn Williams, Aug. 4, a daughter.

Russell & Dallas are headquarters for everything good to eat.

Guinn Williams was up from Fort Worth Saturday evening.

Five views of Decatur on four post cards for 5c at City Bakery.

Miss Mary Potts, of Crowell, Texas, is visiting Mrs. Nancy Cundiff.

Dave Martin left Saturday for his new home in the Artesia valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Butler Splawn were here Wednesday from Greenwood.

The next session of the Baptist college opens Wednesday, Sept. 8th.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Halsell are spending the summer in Colorado.

Mrs. S. A. Heflin, of Walter, Okla., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Harding.

Mrs. Vastine will leave in a few days for the St. Louis millinery market.

Judge and Mrs. Tankersley, of Ft. Worth, visited relatives here this week.

See that new line of men's pants at Blankenship & Kendall's for price and wear.

Mrs. Groves has returned to Bridgeport after visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ed Borum.

Mrs. J. Kirkpatrick, of San Antonio, is visiting the family of her son Charles.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Shurbett, of Lockney, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Holliday.

Dr. Frank White, and family, of Terrell, have been visiting relatives here this week.

Miss Myrtle Gage, of Greenwood, has been employed at the Southwestern exchange.

If you are particular about your barber work, try Roe and Bob. They can please you.

F. I. Barton has sold his farm, two miles west of town, to T. A. Sampler, of Greenwood.

Williams' Cafe for cold drinks, confectioneries, cigars, short orders. Best of service.

Mr. Will Morrow and Miss Nina Williams, of Chico, were married in Ft. Worth Saturday.

Mrs. M. M. Burk, of Chico, who was seriously burned several weeks ago, died last Friday.

Linn Mann has resigned the position of nightwatch here and moved with his family to Abilene.

Willie Cooper is now with Tyler's Racket Store and invites all his lady friends to call and see him.

Russell & Dallas are making low prices on canned vegetables in order to make room for new crop.

Considerable "lawing" is being done by the M. Caddell heirs over the estate left by the old gentleman.

Attorneys L. D. Ratliff, Frank J. Ford and Cicero Gettys attended justice court at Alvord Thursday.

Cressey's ice cream has come to be the favorite in Decatur. There's a reason. Try it at Williams' Cafe.

Sheriff John Branch attended the state Sheriff's convention at Galveston last week and reports a fine time.

Lois Lively was here from Olney this week. Lois has a good position and is well pleased with Olney and her people.

County Attorney Ratliff and Deputy Buck Riley were in Chico Tuesday investigating a little Sunday disturbance.

Attend the commercial club meeting Tuesday 2 p. m. at Woodman hall. Important business. All business men should be present.

Giles Barnes was in town Monday enroute home from a visit to relatives and friends in the Bridgeport-Boyd country.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Pace, of Era, and Mr. and Mrs. Ruel Hulett, of Gainesville, visited County Attorney Ratliff this week.

The Chico picnic on Aug. 26 and 27 promises to draw a big crowd. Bascom Thomas will be there and orate the first day.

The public school library will be open on Fridays from 2 to 3 o'clock in afternoon until school opens Monday, Sept. 15th.

The fine showers over the county Sunday and Monday greatly refreshed the cotton crop and renewed our hopes of a good yield.

There are Methodist camp meetings in progress at Sand Hill and Sweetwater. Much interest and success is attending both services.

Hon. John Kirkpatrick, a delegate from San Antonio to the Trans-Mississippi Congress at Denver, stopped over in Decatur Friday night.

Tom Brown says he is seriously considering the matter shying his castor into the arena for county clerk. Tom is a young man with lots of friends.

G. W. Waldrip, of Roswell, Ga., is here visiting his brother, I. W. Waldrip, and prospecting with a view of locating.

Mr. and Mrs. Turner Christal are here from Guthrie.

Mrs. C. C. Lewis and daughter, Thelma, are visiting in Amarillo.

Steve Lillard, Jr., was in Bridgeport on business this week.

Dr. D. H. Payne has purchased a half interest in Williams' Cafe.

The speed mania has struck some of our autoists. We need a speed limit.

Miss Ripple Frazer is on a visit to Itasca.

The fine rain here yesterday added thousands of dollars to the value of crops.

Rev. A. R. Anderson has been re-elected missionary of the Wise county Baptist Association. The Next association will be held at Boyd.

Miss Geers, daughter of Col. C. W. Geers, veteran newspaper man and writer of national reputation, was a pleasant caller at our office Monday.

John Turner and family left yesterday for Chillicothe, where Mr. Turner has bought an interest with the Moore Milling Co.

I am still prepared to give you good service in the way of washing. You need the laundry and I need your patronage. Chas. Vance.

Wayne Summerlin is expected home in few days from a vacation in Georgia. Summerlin likes his old Goober state, but oh, you Decatur, Texas.

Tom McClure passed thru the city Sunday. He was one of the Stamford delegates after that West Texas normal college.

A son was born Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Moss. Jack is making his auto hit only the most elevated places on the streets.

Advertise Decatur by sending out some of those post cards at the City Bakery—five views of Decatur on four cards for 5c. They're going fast.

The Wise county teachers' institute will convene in Decatur Sept. 6 and continue five days. Every teacher in the county is expected to attend.

All members of the Christian church are requested to meet at the church next Sunday evening at 4 o'clock on important business of the church.

John Kendall offers his home place, a 4-room residence, for sale at \$500. Judging from point of location, the lot alone ought to be worth that much.

County Superintendent Ben Short announces he will be glad to assist teachers in securing schools, or trustees in securing teachers. Drop him a postal.

Ennis Jeffries fell and broke one of his legs last Thursday. The same leg had been badly fractured lately by a kick from a mule, and the fall finished the break.

John T. Woods has resigned his position as clerk at the postoffice and will attend a business school at Dallas. His place as clerk has been filled by the employment of Miss Ethel Stokes.

Emmett Ford, now of Eldorado, Okla., received his state certificate as a registered pharmacist of Oklahoma last week. Emmett was one of three out of eighty who passed the state board, and his grade was one of the best. Emmett is thorough in his profession and we are proud of his record.

July and August are our house cleaning months, closing out getting ready for 1909 product. We do not carry groceries over. This is where you find the best of everything at our store. Will save you money on your supplies. Russell & Dallas.

Sheriff Branch in looking over the jail prisoners' food one day last week found a fine large cake that had been sent to one of the sheriff's boarders. A nice little note and a ten-cent piece of money were found in the cake. The note was to cheer the prisoner and the dime was to go for tobacco. John Schnabel says he has a notion now to break into jail.

Blankenship and Kendall will have special prices on some line or lines every Friday and Saturday. Next Friday and Saturday the 13th and 14th all decorated dinner plates go at 50c set; \$1.00 bucket coffee 80c; 6 to 7 lbs. bulk coffee at \$1.00.

The Edson lecture Saturday night at the courthouse drew thirteen people. Owing to the small audience Mr. Edson did not deliver his regular lecture but entertained those present with some happy "off hand" remarks. The gentleman was introduced by Hon. Wm. H. Ratliff of the local bar.

On Tuesday R. M. Ash, who lives 7 miles below Decatur, brought to the Messenger a mammoth cabbage head raised in his garden. The head weighs nine and a third pounds, and measures thirty-two and one-half inches in circumference and eleven inches in diameter. This is certainly a fine showing of what can be done in the way of truck farming in Wonderful Wise. Mr. Ash is one of our most progressive and wide-awake farmers.

Dr. Cox's Barbed Wire Liniment. 25c 50c and \$1.00 sizes. Every bottle guaranteed. For sale by Man & Simmons.

The capital invested in compresses is about \$7,500,000.

Three-fourths of the Texas cotton crop is sold in England.

FREE—If Dr. Cox's Barbed Wire Liniment does not do all that is claimed for it your money will be refunded. For sale by Man & Simmons.

# A Good Horse

In choosing a horse you want one that is sound, kind, willing, active, strong, steady, well-broken, and well-trained to the work required of him.

You want much the same qualities in a BANK—soundness, safety, strength, kindness, willingness, training and experience to do the work required of it.

You want no skittishness or disposition to shy, or run away and break things, but one that follows the furrow and keeps in the middle of the road.

These are qualities you find in the First National Bank; and you will always find it pulling steadily on the traces in the right direction—always pulling in your interests, always keeping in the road of sound banking.

Nobody has ever been sorry that they hitched to this bank, since they found that it has always given them a profitable pull and a willing pull.

All business entrusted to our care is private and confidential.

## First National Bank

Decatur, Texas

Capital and Surplus, - - - \$107,234.49

### TRY

## Rainbow Flour

You can make your husband smile for breakfast with Rainbow Flour in your biscuits. Try a sack from

Hornback & Sanders

### CLASSIFIED ADS

Five Cents Per Line

FOR SALE—Wagon and harness, apply at NICKLE STORE.

FOR SALE—60 Jersey heifers, 1 and 2 year old, for sale or trade. W. M. HARRIS, Decatur. 1-3w

FOR SALE—Nice five room cottage, whole block of land, good well, windmill, barn and out-houses,—cheap in S. Decatur. F. I. Barton.

FOR SALE or trade—A full blooded Jersey bull. C. L. Gammon, route 7, Decatur.

FOR SALE—My residence in Decatur in first block south of public square; a bargain—4-rooms, only \$500—\$250 cash; balance \$50 a year. J. E. Kendall

FOR SALE—Best grade of milch cows any kind desired. Jerseys included. See or write W. M. HARRIS, six miles from Decatur, Herman station on Denver. Address: Decatur. 78

IF there are any survivors of Capt. Aerhart's company, Col. Throckmorton's, Regiment, Frontier service, in the county, they would confer a great favor on their comrade, Jeff Morrow, by communicating with Rudolph Kleberg, Jr., County Judge, Cuero, Texas. Other county papers please copy.

The cotton gins of the State represent an investment of \$13,500,000.

There are 15 cotton factories in Texas.

The cotton factories of Texas represent an investment of \$3,000,000.

It costs ten cents per pound to manufacture and market cotton.

The compress reduces the size of a bale one-third.

If you are all run down Foley's Kidney Remedy will help you. It strengthens the kidneys so they will eliminate the impurities from the blood that depress the nerves, and cause exhaustion, backache, rheumatism, and urinary irregularities, which sap the vitality. Do not delay. Take Foley's Kidney Remedy at once. Ford & Thomason.

There are two kinds of bales—round and flat.

There are 100 cotton compresses in Texas.

Dr. Cox's Barbed Wire Liniment does not burn or blister, and relieves pain in a few minutes. For sale by Man & Simmons.

One laborer will pick 250 pounds of cotton per day, average.

The cotton pickers receive 65 cents per hundred pounds, average.

It costs about \$15,000,000 to pick the Texas cotton crop.

### The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs, causing catarrh of the bladder, brick-dust or sediment in the urine, head ache, back ache, lame back, dizziness, sleeplessness, nervousness, or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell.

Bladder troubles almost always result from a derangement of the kidneys and better health in that organ is obtained quickest by a proper treatment of the kidneys. **Swamp-Root** corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often through the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and immediate effect of Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest because of its remarkable health restoring properties. A trial will convince anyone.

Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and is sold by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles. You may have a sample bottle and a book that tells all about it, both sent free by mail. Address, Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, and don't let a dealer sell you something in place of Swamp-Root—if you do you will be disappointed.

It costs about \$12,000,000 to gin the Texas cotton crop.

It costs about \$2,000,000 to compress the Texas cotton crop.

It costs about \$32,000,000 to transport the Texas cotton crop to England.

It costs \$200,000,000 to manufacture.

An increase of one cent per pound in the price of cotton will give the Texas farmers \$20,000,000.

The price paid the farmer for cotton in 1908 ranged from 8-4 to 10-9 cents per pound.

There are 4,507 cotton gins in Texas.

It costs about \$3.00 to gin a bale of cotton.

A ton of cotton seed is worth \$15 at the mill.

A ton of cotton seed will make 35 gallons of oil.

Cotton seed oil is worth 30 cents per gallon.

### Take Notice

All persons are recommended to take Foley's Kidney Remedy for backache, rheumatism, and kidney and bladder trouble. It will quickly correct urinary irregularities, which, if neglected, may develop into a serious illness. It will restore health and strength. Do not neglect signs of kidney or bladder trouble and risk Bright's disease or diabetes. Ford & Thomason.



Most Stupendous, Gigantic

# PRICE-SMASHING SALE!

Closes Saturday, Aug. 28

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Days

Sale Opened

Saturday

AUG  
7th

9 O'clock a.m.

**\$40,000 INVOLVED**

It will be one of the most bewildering, amazing and exciting scenes ever witnessed in the history of Texas. The entire stock is in the hands of the American Sales System, which is the largest sales concern in the world. Every piece of goods in the house must be turned loose to the masses for spot cash, regardless of cost or value. It will be the most sensational slashing and remarkable price reduction on seasonable goods ever known. This will positively be the most important sale ever held in the Southwest and will create the greatest excitement among the masses for a radius of 100 miles. 5000 people will come the opening day.

The Biggest Sale in Texas in 10 Yrs

## The Mississippi Store,

S. A. LILLARD, Proprietor

DECATUR, TEXAS.

Sale Conducted by American Sales System, Dallas, Texas

### Citation.

The State of Texas—To the sheriff or any constable of Wise county—Greeting: You are hereby commanded to summon A. Key by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 43d judicial district, but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 43d judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the justice's court of precinct No. 1, Wise county, to be holden at Decatur in said Wise county, on the 9th day of August, 1909, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 10th day of May, A D, 1909, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 2837, wherein Irving Jackson, by J. F. Strasur next friend, is plaintiff and Sarah F. Jackson it intervener and the Fort Worth & Denver City Ry Co and A Key are defendants, and said petition alleging that Plaintiff Irving Jackson is a minor under the age of 21 years and a son of intervenor, and as such minor performed 34 1-2 days labor for Defendant Key on construction work on the railway of Defendant Railway Co., from July 9th to Aug. 24th, 1908, at an agreed price of \$1.75 per day, and said defendant is still due for such labor \$36.90, for which intervenor sues for a foreclosure of her laborer's lien on railway company property.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed same.

Witness, T. H. Greer, justice of the peace for precinct No. 1, Wise county, Texas.

Given under my official signature, at office in Decatur, this the 17th day of July, A D, 1909. T. H. Greer, Justice of the Peace, Wise county Tex

One acre of land produces one-third to one and one-half bales of cotton.

Man & Simmons sell Dr. Cox's Barbed Wire Liniment. Guaranteed to heal without a blemish or your money refunded.

Ellis county leads in cotton production, 145,642 bales.

As a household remedy for cuts, burns, pains, etc., Dr. Cox's Barbed Wire Liniment has no equal. Price 25c. For sale by Man & Simmons.

One ton of cotton seed will make 35 gallons of oil, 700 pounds of meal, 600 pounds of hulls and 50 pounds of linters.

The Texas farmers get \$200,000,000 annually for the cotton crop.

The cotton belt of Texas contains 120,000,000 acres of land.

One seed of cotton will multiply 1600 times, one planting.

One seed of cotton will produce one stalk of about twenty bolls.

August time, tells on the nerves. But that spiritless, no ambition feeling can be easily and quickly altered by taking what is known to druggists everywhere as Dr. Shoop's Restorative. Within 48 hours after beginning to use the Restorative, improvement will be noticed. Of course, full health will not immediately return. The gain, however, will surely follow. And best of all, you will realize and feel your strength and ambition as it is returning. Outside influences depress first the "inside nerves" then the stomach, heart, and kidneys will usually fail. Strengthen these failing nerves with Dr. Shoop's Restorative and see how quickly health will be yours again. Sold by C. B. Gunn.

There are 80 cotton seed in one boll.

One hundred bolls will make a pound of lint cotton.

A bale of cotton weighs 500 pounds.

People with chronic bronchitis, asthma and lung trouble, will find great relief and comfort in Foley's Honey and Tar, and can avoid suffering by commencing to take it at once. Ford & Thomason.

A bale of cotton makes 3,500 yards of calico.

It takes 25 pounds of cotton seed to plant one acre.

For Piles, use Dr. Cox's Barbed Wire Liniment, 25c size. If it does not give relief or cure you your money will be refunded. For sale by Man & Simmons.

Cotton planted in April will mature in September.

Dr. Cox's Painless Blister. Guaranteed to blister without pain or your money refunded. For sale by Man & Simmons.

It takes 1650 pounds of seed cotton to make a bale of 500 pounds of cotton and 1150 pounds of cotton seed. The seed will yield 17 pounds of oil, 350 pounds of meal, 300 pounds of hulls and 25 pounds of linters.

Hot weather saps the vital energy and makes the hardest workers feel lazy. To maintain strength and energy use Prickly Ash Bitters. It is the friend of industry.

There were 20,000,000 bales of cotton produced in the world in 1908.

There were 13,600,000 bales of cotton produced in the United States in 1908.

### MAKES WORK EASIER

Decatur People Are Pleased to Learn How It Is Done.

It's pretty hard to attend to duties with a constantly aching back. With annoying urinary disorders. Doan's Kidney Pills make work easier.

They cure backache. They cure kidney ills.

L. D. Crenshaw, farmer, Alvord road, Decatur, Texas, says: "Ever since I used Doan's Kidney Pills several years ago, I have been free from kidney trouble. My back pained me terribly and was very weak. I had no ambition, my daily work was done only with an effort and every quick movement sent sharp twinges through my loins. The kidney secretions were too frequent in passage and gave me great annoyance. Upon learning of Doan's Kidney Pills, I procured them at C. B. Gunn's drug store and they benefited me so greatly that I felt like a different person. I have recommended this remedy to my friends and acquaintances whenever I have had a chance. I have no hesitation in confirming the public statement I gave in favor of Doan's Kidney Pills some time ago."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Texas produced 4,174,206 bales of cotton in 1908.

One pound of cotton will make seven yards of calico.

### 'Twas A Glorious Victory

There's rejoicing in Federa, Tenn. A man's life has been saved, and now Dr. King's New Discovery is the talk of the town for curing C. V. Pepper of deadly lung hemorrhages. "I could not work nor get about," he writes, "and the doctors did me no good, but, after using Dr. King's New Discovery three weeks, I feel like a new man, and can do good work again." For weak, sore or diseased lungs, Coughs and colds hemorrhages, hay fever, lagrippe, asthma or any bronchial affection it stands unrivaled. Price 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free. Sold and guaranteed by Man & Simmons.



PRICE  
\$1.00

### BAD DIGESTION

Biliousness and constipation bring on kidney disease which is the great destroyer of life. The safe course is to remove bilious disorders as soon as they appear.

### PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

Is a system tonic and corrective which carries its cleansing and stimulating influence to every part of the body, drives out impurities, strengthens digestion and quickly restores energy and cheerful spirits.

Get the Genuine with the Figure "3" in Red on Front Label.

Sold by Druggists.

FOR SALE BY C. B. GUNN

DR. D. H. PAYNE,  
DENTIST

GOLD CROWN AND  
BRIDGE WORK.

Decatur.

Texas

### Disagreeable at Home

Lots of men and women who are agreeable with others, get "cranky" at home. Its not disposition, its the liver. If you find in yourself that you feel cross around the house, little things worry you, just buy a bottle of Ballard's Herbine and put your liver in shape. You and everybody around you will feel better for it. Price 50 cents per bottle. Sold by Man & Simmons.

When the digestion is all right, the action of the bowels regular, there is a natural craving and relish for food. When this is lacking you may know that you need a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They strengthen the digestive organs, improve the appetite and regulate the bowels. Sold by City Drug Store—Man & Simmons.

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Work is guaranteed to give you satisfaction in every particular.  
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Teeth extracted with little or no pain  
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